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In re Application of:

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For: METHODS FOR PRODUCING

ELECTRON-EMITTING

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SOURCE, AND IMAGE-FORMING APPARATUS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This application was timely refiled as a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) on February 28, 2001, in response to the Office Action dated August 30, 2000. A request for suspending action in this application by three months, until Sunday, May 28, 2001, was granted by the Patent and Trademark Office in a communication (Paper No. 18) dated April 24, 2001.

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